

Do You Know What You Are Voting on November 4?

26 MEASURES ARE BRIEFLY ANALYZED BY UNITED PRESS

26 Constitutional Amendments; Five Initiative Measures and One State Bond Issue Are on General Election Ballot Next Tuesday

By the United Press

Citizens of California will be faced with a formidable array of proposed amendments to the state constitution and initiative measures when they step into their polling places on November 4. Constitutional amendments lead in number, with 20 in this class. Five initiative measures have been placed on the ballot and one state bond issue.

Daylight Saving
Outstanding in public interest is the initiative to adopt daylight saving in California. The legislature has consistently refused to adopt the plan, voting it down five times in the past ten years. The measure provides that clocks will be advanced one hour during the period from the last Sunday in April to the last Sunday in September. The lure of "151 extra hours of sunlight leisure" is held forth by proponents of the plan. According to those sponsoring the measure it will give an equivalent of three additional weeks of vacation, due to the extra hours of daytime freedom.

Toll Bridge Taxation
Taxation of toll bridge acquired by the state is contemplated in a constitutional amendment on the ballot—proposition number 6. It is objected to because it establishes the precedent of allowing political subdivisions to the state to tax the sovereign state. Those in favor of the amendment point out that such taxation ends as soon as the state has paid for the bridge through tolls and opened it for free use by the people.

Constitutional Amendment Number 2 proposes a retirement salary for state employees. With many business corporations, some cities, several states and the federal government now using the retirement plan, proponents claim that it is a proven means of promoting efficiency in state employment.

Payment for Live Stock
Payment of indemnity to owners for live stock destroyed to prevent spread of disease has long been a source of trouble to the state. Constitutional amendment 13 will enable the legislature to appropriate funds for this purpose if approved at the election. Previously this power has been held unconstitutional in California by the courts.

Fish, Game Commission
Depletion of California's fish and game supply has inspired such enthusiasts to submit an initiative proposal establishing a fish and game commission with broad powers. The commission will consist of five members appointed by the governor, with sweeping authority in establishing districts, determining what animals, birds and reptiles are taken, sale or possession of game, and every other phase of the subject.

It was sponsored by those who believed the legislature, which now holds the power, was so dominated by lobbyists that a true conservation program could not be promulgated by the lawmakers. Arguments against the proposition stress the evils of giving such broad powers to an appointed commission. The arguments further state that citizens will not know what the law is at any given time, as the commission may change it at will, while the legislature could only act every two years.

Usury Law Amendment
An attempt to amend the usury law of California through an initiative will appear as number 19 on the ballot. Although the initiative leaves unchanged the rate of interest and penalties of the present law, its sponsors announce it will encourage construction loans for buildings; prevent corporations from exercising the right to assert usury; enable the legislature to regulate interest rates of loan companies and pawnbrokers; and

wer by the statement that "it should be distinctly understood that this initiative is not a 'Blue Law' in any sense of the term. All necessary and religious occupations, charitable and recreational works, which include all amusements, have been specifically exempted from the closing provision."

Residence 40 Days
The present law, requiring 30-day residence in a precinct before a person may vote, is obsolete, according to proponents of constitutional amendment number 25. The law would be changed to make the residence 40 days. Increasing number of voters, particularly in the populous centers, who change their residence, has made the present law inadequate. No opposition to the measure has been made.

Centralize Activities
Inclusion in any department of the executive branch of state government of any office, board, commission established by the constitution and appointed by the governor, in the governor's council, is the purpose of a constitutional amendment, number 20 on the ballot. The purpose of the amendment is to make more complete the program started by Governor Young in centralizing activities of the state government. No opposition to the measure has been reported.

Corporation Regulation
A constitutional amendment, number 16 on the ballot, would empower the legislature to provide, and keep up to date, a modern system of laws for the organization and regulation of corporations, better adapted to present day economic and social conditions than the present law, adopted during the last century. California has long been known as an unfavorable state for corporations to locate their head offices, because of restrictions in the constitution. There has been no opposition to this measure.

Regulates Judges' Actions
The trial in 1929 of Judge Carlos S. Hardy, charged with practicing law while a judge, inspired the legislature that year to pass a constitutional amendment, now clearly interpreted by the courts, which appears as number 19 on the November ballot. The present constitutional provision prohibits judges of the courts of record from practicing law "in or out of court" during continuance in office.

Employ Additional Help
California's legislature has been hampered during the past seven years through a cut in appropriations for legislative help during sessions, according to those sponsoring proposition number 12, a constitutional amendment. Designed to effect an economy in state government, the cut is said to have crippled the legislature. The proposed amendment authorizes the legislature to employ help, pre-

scribe duties and fix compensation; with the total daily expense for officers, employees and attached not to exceed \$400 for the senate and \$450 for the assembly.

To Reimburse Counties
Several constitutional amendments on the highly technical subject of taxes will confront the electorate on November 4. Among these is amendment 21, a proposition designed to reimburse counties for losses from state taxation. Many counties in California suffered loss in revenue when the state removed operative property of utilities from the county tax rolls on passage of the gross receipts utility tax in 1911.

The amendment would reimburse those counties which have much operative property of utilities within their borders, such as railroad yards, power plants, etc. The department of finance is instructed to report to the legislature every two years the loss sustained by each county because of inability to tax the operative properties.

Opponents of the amendment fear it may seriously deplete the already inadequate state revenues. Proponents answer that the provision stating that such reimbursement shall not reduce the unappropriated fund in the state treasury more than \$10,000,000 protects the state.

Ocean Marine Insurance
California is asked to adopt the same type of taxation of ocean marine insurers approved by the federal government and in use in many other states, through constitutional amendment 17. Owing to laws in other states, marine insurance companies of California, transacting business in such states, cannot secure benefit of their laws until California passes similar laws.

Exempt No-profit Hospitals
Exempting hospital and sanatoriums not organized or conducted

for private profit is the purpose of constitutional amendment number 8 on the ballot. Those favoring the measure point out that intent of the amendment is to exempt institutions built and financed by communities, fraternal and religious organizations and public spirited individuals. Opponents assert that this is only adding to the group of properties now tax free, which means that some other group must assume the loss suffered by the government.

Street Railway Tax
Readjustment of taxation on street railways is sought in constitutional amendment number 4. Reports of the California Tax Commission, state board of equalization, and other tax experts indicated these railways were paying more than their proportionate share of taxes. Competition of motor bus lines has placed many electric railways in serious financial difficulties, those favoring the measure declare, and tax relief is imperative.

Firmen's Pension Exploited
Return of state taxes on fire insurance companies to communities for firmen's pension, relief, health, life and accident insurance funds is asked in constitutional amendment 2 on the ballot. Considerable argument, for and against, the amendment has arisen. Those in favor claim that "it is altogether fitting and proper that the state should assist all communities of the state, large and small, in protection to those who safeguard and protect lives and property of the commonwealth."

The opponents retort that "if the amendment be adopted it is certain that other groups seeking increase of pensions in municipalities will attempt to amend the constitution to meet their desires by having the state contribute part

of its revenues to municipalities for purely local purposes." Assists War Veterans
California voters will be called upon to decide whether they will grant a bond issue of \$10,000,000 at the November election, to be used by the state in assisting California war veterans to acquire farms or homes. These homes and farms are sold under contract to approved veterans at cost plus 5%.

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See **EBY'S** First!
Removal Sale Now On!
It's cheaper to sell goods at REDUCED PRICES than pay moving expenses. All our stock is selling for less.
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Re-elect these independent Judges
PROVEN CAPACITY INVALUABLE EXPERIENCE
CANNOT BE CONTROLLED OR INTIMIDATED

 JUDGE WM. HAZLETT (Incumbent)	 JUDGE ARTHUR KEETCH (Incumbent)
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Vote for Them Tuesday, November 4th
INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, 1103 Rowan Building

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Remove This Burden from Non-Profit Hospitals!
Taxing non-profit hospitals is taxing sickness. These hospitals did over \$2,500,000 in free work last year. Without that free work your taxes would be higher. Exemption will mean an average increase of less than one cent in every \$10 of taxes collected. 46 states already grant tax exemption to non-profit hospitals.
ENDORSED by religious denominations (Protestant and Catholic), Labor, Business interests, Fraternal Orders, Medical and Nursing Professions and Social Workers.
Proposition 8 on the Ballot
Exempting Hospitals and Sanatoriums from Taxation YES X
Senate Constitutional Amendment 6.
A STEP TOWARD LOWER HOSPITAL COSTS



And so they took the \$50,000
—and set some fellow up in the business of selling the public the Daylight Saving idea. The \$50,000 came from some oil firms and stock brokers... who in turn got it from John W. Public. The plan was to tell everybody a lot of nice things that may be true but apparently aren't since a good portion of the country doesn't believe what they say. In fact, 97% think so little of the idea that they are getting along without it. For the benefit of any late tuners-in, let's take a good look at Daylight Saving and see what its results are. In the first place, that extra hour is a myth. You can't make a 25 hour day. What you'll have to do is bounce out of the feather bed an hour earlier. Agriculture, Labor, Our Movies, The Clergy, Health Authorities and all of our Basic Industries shun the suggestion of Daylight Saving to a man. Your babies would be put off schedule. Imagine telling little Mary she isn't hungry at noon or that the Sandman's here in broad daylight. Your own life would be a jumble of two times and missed trains.
• if you want your family healthy and happy • • • • •
Vote "NO" on #7
"CALIFORNIA'S ALL RIGHT"
1610 W. Washington Blvd, Los Angeles • 25 Taylor St. San Francisco
P. S. Well, if you must know, it actually was \$66,000. You can see their campaign statement at Sacramento

VOTE FOR Judge Keetch

Judge Arthur Keetch
KEEP ON THE BENCH THIS CONSTRUCTIVE AND FAIR JURIST
Exercise Your Franchise At the Election on November 4

Governor Young and Mayor Rolph, say...
VOTE "YES" on NUMBER FIVE

GOVERNOR YOUNG says: "It is probably the soundest and fairest retirement measure ever devised. There can be no deficit to be made up by the state."
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MAYOR ROLPH says: "I am glad to recommend Number 5 as a constructive measure which will pay the state real dividends in increased efficiency and lowered overhead."

(STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ACT)
...Founded on an Employee-Contributory Basis

NUMBER 5—
Reduces the overhead of state government by retiring old employees who have passed their years of efficiency.
Protects both the state and the employee; every employee is required to participate in systematic plan of saving to provide for his retirement in later life.
Guarantees cash saving to taxpayers of from \$700,000 to \$800,000 yearly through 6 per cent improvement in efficiency. (This estimate by W. A. Johnstone, President of State Civil Service Commission.)
Carries No Appropriation — Does Not Increase Taxes
"Save and... Help Save"
Vote "YES" on Number 5
(General Election, Nov. 4, 1930)